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In re Application of :
Gu, et al. :
Application No. 09/496,318 :
Filed: February 1, 2000 :
Attorney Docket No. 3382-53698 :
DECISION GRANTING STATUS
UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

This is in response to the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) filed September 17, 2001 and supplemented February 21, 2002.

The petition is GRANTED.

Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventor, Yaron Goland, has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application after having been presented with the application papers. Specifically, the declaration of Stephen A. Wight, submitted September 17, 2001, sufficiently establishes that the inventor received the application papers and failed to respond to requests to execute the application papers.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing by inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

After this decision is mailed, the above-identified application will be returned to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to Petitions Attorney Alesia M. Brown at (703) 305-0310.

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